
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Monday, March 8, 2021
TIME: 6:00 P.M.
PLACE: House Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5415](#)

BY Cortvriend, Donovan, Speakman, Carson, McGaw, Fogarty

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- STATE

EMBLEMS {LC481/1} (This act would designate "Northern Star Coral" as the official state coral.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

02/18/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/19/2021 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5592](#)

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Perez, Bennett, McNamara, Williams, Knight, Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

- FIRST RESPONDERS {LC792/1} (Establishes March 17 as an annual day of special observance to honor Rhode Island's first responders.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5593](#)

BY Fogarty, Tanzi, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- HOLLEY LANDING

{LC1039/1} (Renames the landing in South Kingstown known as Wordens Pond Landing to Holley Landing.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5594](#)

BY Lima

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

{LC167/1} (Sets aside the twenty-seventh day of October annually to be known as Dr. Ernest Finocchio Day.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5654](#)

BY Tanzi, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- NAMING STATE CONSTRUCTIONS -- E. RICHARD DURFEE ROAD {LC1905/1} (Would name a certain portion of Sand Hill Cove Road in Narragansett, "E. Richard Durfee Road".)

02/23/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5926](#)

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Solomon, Azzinaro, Kennedy, Noret, Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE {LC2159/1} (Designates June 12 annually as Women Veterans' Day as a day of special observance in the state of Rhode Island.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6045](#)

BY Williams, Henries, Hull, Biah, Abney, Kislak, Ajello, Diaz, Barros, Alzate

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE {LC1745/1} (Eliminates the state holiday of Victory Day and inserts in place thereof the state holiday of Emancipation Day to be held on August 1.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5781](#)

BY Williams, Hull, Alzate, Barros, Morales, Batista, Henries, Giraldo, Felix, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ESTABLISHING AN ELECTED AND APPOINTED MINORITY OFFICIALS COMMISSION {LC52/1} (Creates Elected/Appointed Minority Officials Commission to create record of minority officials from 1636 to present.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5952](#)

BY Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC2236/1}

(Allows the honorable John G. Edwards to join Kelsey Kristine Edwards and David M. Coletta in marriage on or about October 23, 2021, within the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [74](#)

BY Goodwin, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC640/1}

(Allows David Raymond Thibodeau, Jr., to join Staci Rae McCabe and Brendan Edward Curran in marriage on or about June 5, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

01/19/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

01/22/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

01/28/2021 Committee recommends passage

02/02/2021 Placed on Senate Calendar

02/10/2021 Senate read and passed

02/11/2021 Referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [266](#)

BY McCaffrey, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC1722/1}

(Allows the Honorable Maryellen Goodwin to join Katuska Pérez and Brian Parker in marriage on or about September 3, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

02/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/25/2021 Committee recommends passage

02/25/2021 Placed on Senate Calendar

03/02/2021 Senate read and passed

03/03/2021 Referred to House Special Legislation

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

The State House remains closed to in-person testimony.

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

It will also be live streamed at <http://rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx> .

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via
HouseSpecialLegislation@rilegislature.gov

**Indicate your name, bill number, and viewpoint (for/against/neither) at top of message.
Due to high volume, clerks are not screening this inbox for verbal testimony requests.
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DEADLINE: Written testimony should be submitted no later than three (3) hours prior to the posted meeting time. Every effort will be made to share written testimony submitted before the deadline with committee members prior to the hearing. Testimony received after deadline will be sent to committee members and posted to the website as soon as possible.

For faster processing, it is recommended that testimony is submitted as a PDF file.

**Testimony will be posted on the General Assembly website,
<http://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/HLEG.aspx>.**

VERBAL TESTIMONY

For verbal testimony requests, [CLICK HERE](#)

Verbal testimony accepted on any bill scheduled for "Hearing and/or Consideration" only

DEADLINE: Requests for verbal testimony must be submitted via the link, by 11:00 AM on Monday, March 8, 2021.

The committee is unable to designate a specific time that you will be called. In the event you are unavailable when called, witnesses are urged to submit written testimony.

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